WRITTEN OUESTION E-3640/02

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Subject: Indexing of pensions in Gibraltar

On 3 July 2001 a question (P-1962/01¹) was put to the Commission concerning the pensions of Spaniards who used to work in Gibraltar. According to the Asociación Linense de Pensionistas Extrabajadores en Gibraltar (ALPEG) [an association representing pensioners who formerly worked in Gibraltar], the value of those pensions has not been increased since 1990, a state of affairs which, under Community law, constitutes discrimination on the grounds of place of residence. On 4 September 2001 Mrs Diamantopoulou replied on behalf of the Commission that the latter was considering the issue from the point of view of Community law.

Have the UK authorities sent the Commission any further detailed information (as the Commission requested) concerning the system for the indexing of pensions in Gibraltar?

What action is the Commission intending to take (or has it already taken)?

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¹ OJ C 40 E, 14.2.2002, p. 150